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LONDON, *Auguſt* 2.

A SQUADRON of men of war, with tranſports, are ordered to be fitted out immediately, on board of which eight regiments are to be embarked, with a proportionate train of artillery.

The regiments from Ireland ordered to America are, the 17th, 27th, 28th, 46th, and 55th, with 4 companies of artillery from Woolwich, and 150 matroſſes have received orders to hold themſelves in readineſs.

Orders are given for 400 horſes to be ſent over, with their provender, to Boſton, for the uſe of the king's troops, and to ſail with all expedition. (*By way of freſh proviſions.*)

On Monday an order was ſent to the navy office to get ready immediately, to put to ſea, ten ſail of the line; their deſtination is unknown, but ſuppoſed for the American ſervice.

Monday four houſes of rendezvous were opened at Rotherhithe, for the purpoſe of enliſting ſeamen to man the ſhips now fitting out for America.

This morning a commiſſion paſſed the great ſeal of England, conſtituting and appointing general Gage to be captain general and general governor over all North America.

We are aſſured it is under conſideration to form a parliament, or general council, for all the provinces in America, ſomething ſimilar to that of Ireland, the governors and ſome particular officers to form an upper-houſe.

Orders are given for the ſerjeants and corporals, as well as private men, belonging to the militia, not to be abſent out of the county to which they belong in future, without a furlow or leave for that purpoſe.

This morning forty recruits were ſent off from the Savoy, accompanied by a ſerjeant's guard, to Portſmouth, where they are to be ſhipped for America.

This morning two houſes of rendezvous were opened in Saint Catharine's, and a bounty offered to ſeamen that would enliſt there, to go on board the ſhips that are ordered for Boſton.

Some are of opinion that the five regiments, viz. the 17th, 27th, 28th, 46th, and 55th, the officers of which are ordered immediately to join their regiments in Ireland, are not intended for Boſton, but part for South Carolina, and the other for ſome intermediate port between that and Boſton, in order to keep the provincials from ſending any aſſiſtance to the laſt mentioned port.

We are credibly informed that ſeveral of the officers in general Gage's army have wrote over to their friends of the great diſſatisfaction they have in the preſent ſervice; and that the ſoldiers in general are much diſpirited.

The quantity of wheat in Briſtol is immenſe, almoſt every warehouſe, malthouſe and granary, being filled with it; and ſo ſcarce is warehouſe room, that we are aſſured one perſon laſt week took no leſs than ſix of the void houſes in Bridgeſtreet for that purpoſe, and the reſt are moſtly engaged.

Auguſt 4. Yeſterday the lady of the earl of Dunmore, lately arrived from Virginia, and the lady of governor Johnſon, from Minorca, were ſeverally preſented to the queen.

Eight men of war, from 40 to 50 guns each, are ordered for the American ſtation, the other ſhips now there being ordered home as too large for the ſervice.

Auguſt 5. General Amherſt will certainly ſet out in a few days for Boſton.

Laſt Tueſday ſome unlucky, but genteel youths, went to one of the temporary cook ſhops in Covent Garden, and one of them ſaid to his companions: "I'll ſhew you how the Americans intend to ſerve Boſton. You muſt ſuppoſe that pan over the charcoal fire to be the town, and the ſauſages in it to be general Gage and the king's troops, and then (ſays he) they will be ſerved thus," when he threw a paper with ſome gunpowder in it under the pan, which immediately blew the ſauſages, &c. into the air. "There (cries he) now you may ſee where Boſton is, and alſo how the Americans will learn general Gage and his ſoldiers to fly without wings." He then gave the woman a guinea for the loſs of her goods, who was very well ſatisfied about the matter.

The 27th ult fifty ſilk weavers enliſted at Dublin as volunteers, with the party of marines recruiting in that city.

We hear that the men of war, now getting ready for America, when finiſhed and manned, are to ſail with five tranſports to Ireland, which it is expected will be in three weeks at fartheſt, and there to take on board nine hundred men, which reinforcement, with thoſe from England (wind and weather permitting) will join general Gage in October next, and that ſeveral ſerjeants in the guards are to be promoted, and ſent to America as ſubaltern officers to that body of men, which is to be new raiſed.

On Saturday, in the afternoon, ſeveral thouſand weight of gunpowder, ſoldiers accoutrements, bedding, and ſtands of arms, were ſhipped at the Tower for North America.

Orders are given to the cruizers on the North American ſtation to ſeize all veſſels, of whatever nation or power, which are found within a certain diſtance of the ports there, which are now ſhut up.

Yeſterday lord Frederick Cavendiſh took leave of his majeſty at St. James's, being to join his regiment in Ireland, which is ordered to embark for America. At the ſame time lord Maſham took leave of his majeſty on the ſame occaſion.

Fourteen thouſand ſuits of green regimentals are ordered to be made up with expedition, and ſent for the uſe of the regulars at Boſton. All are to be faced with red, and the difference only will be in trimming the button holes with various colours. Officers and private men will be alike.

Yeſterday morning the four companies of the royal regiment of artillery embarked at Woolwich for America, and the ſame number of men are to be forthwith raiſed.

Orders are ſent to Cork and Kinſale to provide quarters immediately for eight regiments of foot, which are to be quartered there for the greater convenience of embarkation.

Orders are ſent to Dock, near Plymouth, for the regiment lying in barracks at that place to hold themſelves in readineſs to embark for America on the ſhorteſt notice.

Colonel Pigot is ſaid to be coming home; and it is alſo ſaid that admiral Graves is coming home, and that commodore Shuldham, who is going to America with more ſhips, is to have the command on that ſtation.

This being old St James's day, the firſt of oyſters, for this ſeaſon, were brought to Billingſgate. There were ten boats full there this morning, when they ſold for ten ſhillings the buſhel.

Auguſt 7. The parliament, we are aſſured from unqueſtionable authority, will aſſemble much earlier than was at firſt imagined; ſome ſay about Michælmas, but it is believed, at all events, by the ſecond week in October; and the principal motives aſſigned for this unprecedented and unexpected early meeting are the following: To grant money for the purpoſe of raiſing and paying new levies; to authorize his majeſty, in caſe of neceſſity, to take ſixteen thouſand Hanoverians into pay; to grant money throughout England; and, in caſe the Americans ſhould ſhew a diſpoſition to return to their duty, to conſult parliament on the conditions proper to be granted them.

Lord Dunmore, we hear, will certainly be recalled, and ſucceeded by a military governor.

Governor Tryon at New York is to be made a general, and to join governor Carleton in the march to attack the provincials in the back ſettlements.

It is whiſpered that government has ordered general Gage to offer five thouſand pounds to any perſon or perſons who will bring him general Putnam's head. This has been privately communicated to moſt of the royaliſts in and about Boſton who could be confided in.

The public are hereby apprized, from authority of the moſt unqueſtionable nature, that the ſurrender of Canada to the French is now in agitation. This important province, acquired at ſuch immenſe expenditure of blood and treaſure, is now to be reſtored to France, to fulfil, as ſuppoſed, a ſecret article in the laſt moſt diſhonourable peace.

The right honourable the earl of Chatham lies dangerouſly ill at his ſeat at Hayes. The gout has left his lordſhip ſome time, and was ſucceeded with a diſorder of the nature of a tertian ague, and from that it is thought, by the very great weakneſs of his body, that a complication of diſorders will enſue, which makes his recovery at this time very doubtful.

Extract of a letter from an officer on board the Endeavour bark, captain Cook, juſt returned from a voyage round the world, dated Portſmouth, June 26.

"You will be diverted at hearing of our diſcovering a nation of pigmies in the courſe of this voyage, which, though not ſo ſmall as Gulliver has repreſented his Lilliputians, are yet of a diminutive ſize to cauſe both laughter and aſtoniſhment. I am not at liberty to mention the latitude and longitude of the country of this little people; ſuffice it to ſay, it was in a high ſouthern one. The men are from three feet four inches to three feet eight inches; but none of the women are more than three feet, and many not ſo much by ſome inches.

"The weather was warm when we made this part of the coaſt (it being the middle of the month of January) and conſequently their ſummer. Their dreſs was the feathers of birds, ſewed in rows upon a ſubſtance very much reſembling the bark of the trees at Otabeite, with which the natives there make their garments.

"There are degrees of ſubordination amongſt theſe ſmall people, the ſuperior kind of whom are known by a circle of red feathers, which ſurround them a little below the ſhoulders; the women have no ſuch diſtinction, but wear the garment rather longer than that of the men, and their feather cap terminates in a ſharp point at top, while that of the men is flat, and comes lower over the ears.

"Their houſes are ingeniouſly made of twigs wattled like baſket-work, between two rows of which a particular kind of earth is moiſtoned with water, and rammed very hard, which forms an excellent and ſolid wall; the height of theſe houſes is almoſt ſixteen feet, but it is remarkable they have none of them any door, for they enter by a particular ſort of ladder over the top of the wall, which ladder is every night raiſed off the ground to the height of eight or nine feet.

"Their cordage is very ingenious, being made of the outward rind of a fruit much reſembling the cocoanut, but of the ſize of a large codling; theſe ropes ſerve them for many uſes; amongſt others, to pull up their ladder, which, though they are unacquainted with the doctrine of purchaſes, they do with infinite ſlight and eaſe, though they are (for them) very heavy.

"They have no boats, but make uſe of bark logs, like Cattamarans, in India, for the purpoſe of fiſhing and tranſporting themſelves from place to place; they have plenty of poultry, but of a ſize ſcarcely half ſo large as a Bantam cock; we brought away ſeveral of theſe little animals, but they all died on their paſſage; they commonly rooſted on trees in the night.

"They have an aromatic herb ſomething like mint, which they ſmoke through reeds, and it diffuſes a ſmell ſuperior to the fineſt moſs roſe; the women wear large rows of this round their waiſt.

"The children go naked, but their parents rub them over ſeveral times a day with a ſort of clarified fat, which keeps inſects, particularly flies, at a diſtance, by the juice of an herb which is preſſed and mixed with the potatum.

"There are infinite numbers of goats, which are the only quadrupedes we ſaw; theſe goats are about the ſize of our Welch ones, and ſerve the inhabitants to ride upon; their horns are more flat, and they are infinitely more docile than thoſe creatures are in Europe.

"The ſalutation of theſe pigmies to one another has ſomething ſingular; they join their four hands, and then bow each head till they touch each other.

"They have no idols, that we ſaw, but they pay adoration to the ſetting ſun; when the lower limb of this heavenly planet touches the horizon, they extend both their hands and keep their bodies bent, muttering ſomething with a loud voice, which, whether it is a prayer that he would not leave them, or an invocation for his return again next morning, I am not able to determine, as our ſtay was ſo ſhort amongſt them, that we could not underſtand any of their language, which, like the Chineſe, ſeemed to conſiſt principally of monoſyllables."

The Dutch have been as unſucceſsful this year in their whale fiſhery as any of their neighbours. Out of 4000 tons of ſhipping already returned, above one half are come home clean, not having taken any thing.

Lord North was with his majeſty at Kew laſt Saturday night till 12 o'clock, and then was eſcorted home by a party of light horſe.

A bill will be brought into the houſe to enable the Roman catholics to bear arms, to defend Ireland during the abſence of our troops.

The mangled bodies of the late unfortunate counts Struenſee and Brandt are ſtill expoſed on wheels about a mile and a half from Copenhagen. They hold up an awful and affecting leſſon for wicked ſtateſmen of all nations.

All captains, lieutenants, and enſigns, reduced with their corps, at the laſt peace, and ſtill remaining on half pay on the Engliſh eſtabliſhment, who deſire to be again employed on their preſent rank, are directed to ſignify the ſame to the ſecretary at war.

So far from any real diſagreement having ſubſiſted between the courts of Madrid and London; ſo far from the preſent armada being deſigned againſt George the third, it is aſſerted that a combination is entered into by the different crowned heads of Europe, to have a firm truce with one another, until they ſhall have ſubjugated their reſpective ſubjects. With this view the faithful Spaniard hath armed himſelf to aſſiſt the king to cruſh the American rebels in the firſt place, and afterwards to render himſelf an abſolute monarch in Britain.

Immediately on the arrival of the Cerberus frigate from Boſton, a very private conference was held between the lords Bute, North, and Gower, at Caen Wood (the ſeat of lord Mansfield) when their lordſhips greatly diſagreed on their old topic of American courage. High words enſued, and they ſeparated in the utmoſt confuſion.

An elevated court tool was yeſterday very buſy, running about from place to place, declaring the Americans would negotiate. A gentleman, who for ſome time heard his nonſenſe, at length aſked, with whom they would negotiate? With the preſent miniſters, replied the court minion. The gentleman, who was an American, ſaid the Americans will not hear a word from the preſent miniſters. If the king wiſhes to put a ſtop to the effuſion of blood, he will change his miniſters. If he wiſhes to have more lives loſt, more unhappy women made widows, and more children made fatherleſs, he will keep about him the violent, blood thirſty, Bedford faction. Is it common ſenſe, he aſked, to ſuppoſe the Americans will negotiate with lord Sandwich, who falſely, in the houſe of lords, aſſerted they were cowards, and branded them with every opprobrious epithet? Can they negotiate with lord G——, who is officially reſponſible for the Canada Popery bill, the Boſton famine bill, &c? Can they negotiate with lord S——, who voluntarily made himſelf reſponſible for all the wicked acts adopted in council, ſince he was firſt admitted there? Can they negotiate with lord North, who has ſupported, as miniſter, in parliament, all the abhorred acts againſt America? Can they negotiate with lord Dartmouth, who intereſtedly revolted from the ſide of liberty, and took a reſponſible lucrative place, in which theſe deteſted American acts officially originated? They will never negotiate with any of the tools of lord Bute and Mansfield. But they will negotiate with lord Chatham or lord Townſhend, becauſe they are men of independent principles, have never ſullied their characters, nor ever put on any man's livery.

DUBLIN, *July* 19. Monday laſt being Quarter day, the SOCIETY of FREE CITIZENS dined at the King's Arms in Smock alley (Mr. James Napper Tandy, preſident) when the following loyal and conſtitutional toaſts were drank: The conſtitution, and Charles the firſt's fate to him that violates it. The king and queen. May his majeſty ſoon recover the jewel he has loſt, and his only ſupport be the affections of his ſubjects. The prince of Wales, &c and may he always prefer the WHIG to the *tory* intereſt. Proſperity to Ireland, and may it never ſubmit to be taxed by a Britiſh parliament. The city of Dublin, and wiſdom to her magiſtrates. His grace the duke of Leinſter. Our worthy repreſentative Redmond Morris. May the ſociety of free citizens encreaſe; unanimity, moderation, and perſeverance, to them. The county of Dublin, and may it never be repreſented by a man who would diſdain to take the advice of his conſtitutents. *Our fellow ſubjects in America now ſuffering perſecution for attempting to aſſert their rights and liberties.* The CONTINENTAL CONGRESS; unanimity to their councils, and ſucceſs to their reſolves. The glorious memory of the great king William. The memory of the incorruptible Charles Lucas. The patriotic lord mayor and livery of London. The earl of Chatham, and may he ſoon appear at the head of an honeſt adminiſtration. The earl of Effingham, who nobly reſigned his commiſſion ſooner than embrue his hands in the blood of his countrymen. The 19th of April, 1775, and the memory of the brave Americans who fell in defending the liberties of their country. Diſgrace to the miniſtry, and perpetual defeats to the mercenaries that would endeavour to enſlave their fellow ſubjects. The firſt of July, 1690. The 12th of July, 1691. May the board that conſiders public grievances as inexpedient, becauſe important, be ever held in contempt by the free electors of Dublin. The high ſheriffs of London, and may the ſheriffs of Dublin have grace to follow their example. May the citizens of Dublin never forget the puſillanimous conduct of the preſent ſheriffs, who refuſed a compliance with the requeſt of the commons to convene the aggregate body together, to lay their grievances before the throne. The friends of liberty, and liberty to its friends. Fifteenth of June, 1215; ſixteenth of February, 1768. Sixteenth of April, 1746, and the memory of the duke of Cumberland. The two proteſtant biſhops, Exiter and St. Aſaph; Laud's fate to every biſhop that voted for the eſtabliſhment of popery in Quebec; and ſpeedy downfall to the preſent jacobite adminiſtration. Speedy diſgrace and condign puniſhment to the man who adviſed his majeſty to refuſe receiving the petition of the city of London on the throne. May thoſe whoſe forefathers expelled a tyrant from the throne, and placed the preſent family on it, never be debarred acceſs to it. May allegiance and protection go hand in hand, and may the former ceaſe when the latter is denied us. The free electors of Ireland, and may they always prove the majority. May the boroughs no longer be the rotten part of the conſtitution. May the next bench of Engliſh biſhops be as well attached to the proteſtant as the preſent ſeems to be to the popiſh religion. General Putnam, and his brave provincials. The colonels Eaſton and Allen. Governor Trumbull. May the military ever be ſubſervient to the civil power. May thoſe mercenaries who are paid by the people to defend their rights never be employed to enſlave them. The 30th of January, 1648, and the memory of Oliver Cromwell. The memory of John Hampden, who, at the expence of life and fortune, oppoſed the tyranny of a king, and the unconſtitutional demands of a corrupt miniſtry. May corruption ceaſe to be the meaſures of adminiſtration. May we hand down to our children, pure and untainted, the liberty we have derived from our anceſtors. All thoſe who would rather die glorioufly fighting for the conſtitution of their country than live the ſlaves of tyranny and deſpotiſm. May the gates of Temple Bar be decorated with the heads of thoſe who adviſed the employing a military force to enſlave our fellow ſubjects in America. May perpetual union, ſocial liberty, and univerſal juſtice, prevail, and render happy the whole Britiſh empire.

CAMBRIDGE, *September* 28.

HIS excellency general Waſhington has been pleaſed to appoint John George Frazer, eſquire, of Virginia, aſſiſtant quarter-maſter general, in the continental army, for the diſtrict of Proſpect and Winter hills.

Laſt week governor Wentworth arrived at the Iſle of Shoals (a few leagues off Piſcataqua river) from Boſton, for the purpoſe of ſending a boat to Portſmouth with a proclamation, proroguing the general aſſembly to the 12th of April next. Having performed this important buſineſs, and taken ſeveral *peeps* up Piſcataqua river, he returned ſafe to Boſton.

The authority of Portſmouth, in New Hampſhire, a few days ſince diſarmed all thoſe people in that town called *tories* (including crown officers) who would not declare their readineſs to uſe their arms, in the preſent conteſt, in favour of the united colonies. The Sandemanians urged their religious principles in exenſe for their not taking up arms, which, as tending to effect a revolution, they could not conſcienciouſly do; but declared their intention of peaceably ſubmitting to whatever form of government might be eſtabliſhed.

One or two men of war arrived at Boſton the beginning of this week, it is ſaid from England.

Laſt Tueſday two of the regular ſoldiers deſerted from the enemy, and came over to our camp.

WORCESTER, September 29.

WE learn, by the laſt Boſton paper, that that grand rebel to his God, his country, and his king, Thomas Gage, and his deſpicable band of traitors, and military butchers, intend raiſing a regiment of "loyal fencible Americans," the command of which is already given to one Gorham, who ſerved laſt war in America. We are told that ſome head tories, a few negroes, and ſome Scotch rebels and convicts, have already inliſted. Whether a regiment of ſuch beings can be called "loyal fencible Americans," the world can judge. We are likewiſe informed by the ſaid Boſton paper, that regiments ſimilar to the above are forming in the other colonies. Yes, ye Judaſes, for your conſolation we would inform you, that (excluſive of our army in camp) regiments of truly "loyal fencible Americans" are now raiſing from Nova Scotia to the Floridas, who are determined to defend their liberties and properties, and to reſiſt, while life laſts, the tyranny of your maſter the Devil, whoſe viceregents in the Britiſh dominians are Bute and North. Rebels! remember that Americans revere their king while he governs righteouſly; they love their country, and are ready to bleed in its behalf. But ye, ye butchers, diſgrace your king, and millions yet unborn will curſe your memory!

Yeſterday a waggon load of money paſſed through this town, from Philadelphia, for the uſe of the continental army.

Mr. PINKNEY,

THE vile INQUISITOR in your laſt, to uſe his own favourite word, hath kept cloſe to the method adopted by the inquiſition in countries where that vile tyranny prevails; for there perſons are condemned without a hearing, on general accuſations, without being confronted with, or even knowing their accuſer; a vile practice, deteſted by all who lay any claim to either civil or religious freedom. Let this general anſwer, therefore, ſerve for his general accuſation: The INQUISITOR is a vile calumniator.

WINKFIELD.

ON THE DEATH OF JOHN BOWDOIN, ESQUIRE, OF NORTHAMPTON.

His ſaltem accumem donis, et fungar inani
Munere. VIRGIL.

WHILE o'er thee, BOWDOIN, all my grief I pour,
And my laſt friend in thee, alas! deplore;
While ſcenes of horror all around I view,
And doleful moans more bitter pangs renew;
Though ill diſpos'd to try the melting lay,
Yet the ſad impulſe I can't diſobey.
Then thus my tribute freely I impart,
The mournful tribute of a grateful heart;
Thus o'er thy corpſe while anxiouſly I bend,
And vent my ſorrow o'er my much lov'd friend;
Accept, dear ſhade! the homage of a muſe,
Who could in life no friendly act refuſe;
Who ſhall in death your memory adore
Till life is ended, and the bard no more.
Hard is the taſk the virtuous *dead* to praiſe,
But harder ſtill no monument to raiſe.
To *merit*, candour prompts the bard to pay,
At leaſt, the ſlender tribute of his lay;
Bids him tranſmit to every future ſon
The deeds, the acts, for which his ſire was known;
Bids him commemorate the genial ſoul
Whoſe thoughts his reaſon could alone controul;
To call to view the hoſpitable board,
And the gay tranſports of its gen'rous lord;
His firm exertions in his country's cauſe,
Her injur'd rights, and violated laws;
His deteſtation of tyrannic ſway,
And the *poor minions* who would ſuch obey;
In ſhort, the *friendſhip* which he ever bore
To the deſerving rich, or virtuous poor.
But need I more? Through ev'ry walk of life,
Kindly indulgent to his virtuous wife,
His tender children, and his friends, he ſped,
And drew down bleſſings on his *hoary* head.
But what avails it, ſince ſuch deeds can't ſave
This laſt dear friend from his untimely grave?
O fate! too hard my deſtiny you rule;
Why not cut off ſome raſcal, knave, or fool?
Thrice from my *heart* the tend'reſt ſtrings you tore,
Since firſt I viſited this hapleſs ſhore:
FIRST EVAR, then HEWITT, now my BOWDOIN dies,
And the third victim mounts the azure ſkies;
While we, abſorb'd in deepeſt grief and woe,
Pour out our ſorrows in this vale below;
Forever mourn, and oh! lament the day
That from our converſe ſwept ſuch men away;
Men whoſe examples might reform the times,
If virtuous acts could militate 'gainſt crimes.
But whither gone, you doubtleſs range th' abodes,
'Midſt choirs of ſeraphs, thron'd among the Gods;
Or whether you hover in yon reſulgent ray,
And dart your influ'ence from the realms of day;
Or in ſome planet, whirl'd from pole to pole,
You ſtill enlarge the ideas of your ſoul:
Hear, O my BOWDOIN, hear our *cries and moans*,
Excuſe our tears, our ſorrow, and our groans;
Accept our pray'rs, your kindeſt influence ſhed
On ev'ry virtuous, ev'ry friendly head;
Join with *your friends*, ſupport your country's cauſe,
Eſpouſe her rights, and ſtill aſſert her laws.
Heaven's dread force ſhall cruſh our ſordid foes,
And ſoon o'erwhelm them with inceſſant woes.
Hard, that when war's enlarging horrors ſpread,
And pours a bloody deluge o'er each mead,
The beſt, the braveſt, by ſome fatal doom,
Should ſink inglorious to the ſilent tomb,
When, it revers'd by Heav'n, their fervent zeal,
For *Heav'n-taught rights*, and for the *common weal*,
Might prompt their ſouls ſome glorious ſchemes to try,
To raiſe their names, and ſoar aloft on high;
But the Creator of the world, who rules
This earthly ball by laws not made in ſchools,
Has thought quite otherwiſe; then learn, by times,
To venerate the Sov'reign of all climes:
O learn his will, and pinouſly adore,
Await the iſſue, and be vain no more!

WORCESTER, *October* 6.

A CORRESPONDENT at Cambridge has favoured us with the following: Two deſerters came over on Monday night; they belonged to the 10th regiment. I ſpoke with them: They ſay there are hardly 6000 effective men in Boſton, and 2000 ſick. Gage expects 10 regiments of foot, and 2 of dragoons, and pretends they are actually now at ſea. They farther ſay, that, with all their expectations, they are extremely apprehenſive of a viſit from the provincials; are much diſpirited, have not a taſte of freſh proviſions, and would almoſt all deſert if they could. Theſe men brought off with them their arms, 30 rounds of powder, and a new boat. Three veſſels have juſt arrived at Boſton with ſome ſtores. Colonel Arnold ſailed on Tueſday fe'nnight from Newbury Port, and on Saturday morning was upwards of 70 miles up Kennebec in ſafety. A captain of the 59th regiment (but lately made ſuch) loſt his leg by one of our cannon balls, and died 3 days after,

From a correſpondent at camp. "Since my laſt, the news here is, that a ſmall detachment of our army, on Tueſday night, landed on Governor's Iſland, and carried off all the ſtock, except the horſes, which not having boats, for they killed about 50. This morning news came in from Marblehead, that a veſſel, ſent from Boſton to New Providence, in the Bahamas, for fruit and turtle, and having 120 of the latter on board, came, either accidentally or deſignedly, to Marblehead, where they were all ſeized, and are now on the road hither. What a baulk to the poor garriſon, and what vexation to think the Yankees ſhould regale on what they themſelves had feaſted of in imagination."

Admiral Graves is ſuperſeded; but who is appointed in his room we have not heard.

The enemy are now preparing to ſend off from Boſton ſeveral men of war, and a number of troops, ſuppoſed to be on ſome plundering, robbing expedition.

We are informed, that 3 or 4 of our friends lately confined in Boſton, in order to regain their liberty, pretended they were friends to toryiſm; on which they were permitted to embark on board a veſſel, and to ſail from Boſton in company with two real tories. When they had got off to a convenient diſtance from the ſeat of deſpotiſm, our friends above mentioned obliged their two tory companions to accompany

hem into Salem, where the veſſel arrived laſt Tueſday.

NEW YORK, *October* 12.

THE accounts brought by captain John Lawrence mention that 10,000 tons of ſhipping were taken up in one day, in order to carry troops to Boſton, and that general Monckton was named to ſucceed general Gage in the command of the army in the Maſſachuſetts Bay.

Extract of a letter from Cambridge.

Doctor Church (ſurgeon general of the army, and chairman of the committee of ſafety at Watertown) having been found guilty of traiterous practices, in correſponding with the enemy, is put under an arreſt."

We are informed that Doctor Church is confined in a houſe oppoſite to the head quarters in Cambridge. His correſpondence, it is ſaid, was carried on in cyphers with a field officer in general Gage's army.

Extract of a letter from Hartford.

"It is reported that general Waſhington, a few days ago, ſent in a flag of truce to Boſton, propoſing an exchange of priſoners: Major French for colonel Parker, lieutenant Knight, of the navy, for captain Scott, and his excellency governor Skeen for corporal Cruſe, of captain Doudle's company of riflemen; the two former were accepted with readineſs; but the laſt exchange general Gage rejected with ſcorn, as an inſult to his underſtanding; ſo that in all probability we ſhall have the honour of his excellency governor Skeen's reſidence among us; God knows how long."

Yeſterday came to town a number of Paxton boys, dreſſed and painted in the Indian faſhion, being part of a body of 200 volunteers, who are on their way to general Waſhington's army at Cambridge. Several of them, we hear, are young gentlemen of fortune.

We hear from St. John's that captain Preſcot, commander of the fort, ſent word to general Montgomery that he would deliver it up to him if he would permit him and the king's troops to march to Quebec with their arms, ſtores, and artillery; but the general refuſed to comply with his requeſt.

Governor Carleton, it is ſaid, has bought up all the powder from the merchants at Quebec, and ſtored it there; the whole of which amounts to upwards of 10,000 barrels.

Extract of a letter from the camp at Cambridge, *from undoubted authority, dated* October 9.

"By an intelligent perſon from Boſton, I am informed that a fleet, conſiſting of one 64, and one 20 gun ſhip, two ſloops of 18 guns, two tranſports with 600 men, were to ſail from Boſton as yeſterday; their deſtination is a profound ſecret: That they took on board 2 mortars and 4 howitzers, with other artillery, calculated for the borbardment of a town. I have thought it proper to apprize every conſiderable town on the coaſt of this armament, that they may be on their guard. Should I receive any farther account of their deſtination, it ſhall be forwarded. The ſame perſon alſo informs, that an expreſs ſloop arrived 4 days before, from England at Boſton, which ſhe left the 8th of Auguſt: General Gage, and moſt of the officers who were at Lexington, are recalled, and ſail this day; general Howe ſucceeds to the command. Six ſhips of the line and two cutters, under ſir Peter Dennis, are coming out; 5 regiments and 1000 marines may be expected at Boſton in 3 or 4 weeks. No proſpect of accommodation; but, on the other hand, every appearance of the war being puſhed with the utmoſt vigour."

Captain Lindſey, who arrived at Cambridge from Norwich a few days ago, informs us, that capt. Wallace had made a demand on all the live ſtock in Rhode Iſland, but the inhabitants in the neighbourhood had aſſembled, and conveyed them all to Briſtol; that the people had taken the doctor of the Roſe priſoner; there are 4 men of war beſides tranſports, and a number of tenders, and that the man of war fired on the town of Briſtol, and had burnt it half down; that Wallace had threatened to batter down Newport, if they did not deliver his doctor, and all his ſtock, by Friday, 10 o'clock; that a Connecticut privateer had taken a ſhip, captain Barron, from New York, loaded with wheat, and carried her into New London, and was unloading her, and intended to take her up the river as far as poſſible.

WILLIAMSBURG.

WHEREAS lord Dunmore, not contented with having involved the affairs of this colony in extreme confuſion by withdrawing himſelf unneceſſarily from the adminiſtration of government, and exciting an inſurrection of our ſlaves, hath lately, in conjunction with the officers of the navy, proceeded to commence hoſtilities againſt his majeſty's peaceable ſubjects in the town and neighbourhood of Norfolk, captivated many, and ſeized the property of others, particularly ſlaves, who are detained from the owners, ſtopped all intercourſe between the inhabitants of that borough and the other parts of the colony, except by ſuch as are inimical to the rights of America, by means of whom proviſions ore ſupplied to the troops, and intelligence conveyed to his lordſhip of every material tranſaction, whilſt none of his pernicious deſigns can tranſpire in the country until they are manifeſted by the execution of them, the committee of ſafety, in order to counteract, as far as they can, ſo unjuſtifiable a partiality, have unanimouſly reſolved that no perſon whatſoever ſhall be allowed to paſs to or from the borough of Norfolk, or town of Portſmouth, without a permit from the ſaid committee, or the committee of the county or corporation wherein ſuch perſon reſides, or from the commanding officer of one of the regiments, or of a detachment therefrom, or from the commanding officer of a company or detachment of minutemen or militia, in actual ſervice at the time of ſuch permit; and all committees, and all officers, both civil and military, and all other perſons, friends to America, are deſired to attend to this reſolution.

By order of the committee of ſafety.

JOHN PENDLETON, junior, clerk.

Died, in the flower of her age, Mrs. CATHARINE DERRICOTT. This amiable lady, a corrſpondent informs us, poſſeſſed almoſt every chriſtian virtue. The poor have cauſe to lament their loſs, for ſhe was charatable to an extreme; her huſband can never forget her, for ſhe was the moſt dutitul of wives; and her ſex muſt own that ſhe was the moſt conſpicuous example of chaſtity, virtue, and religion.

To the PRINTER.

THE affair at Hampton is at once a proof of the natural bravery of our countrymen, of the excellence of their aim in firing, and of the inſignificancy of tenders. No troops could ſhew more intrepidity than the raw, new raiſed men, under the command of captain Nicholas, of the ſecond regiment, and captain Lyne, of the minute men, together with ſome of the country militia. Theſe brave young officers, at the head of their men, without the leaſt cover or breaſt-work, on the open ſhore, ſtood a diſcharge of 4 pounders, and other cannon, from a large ſchooner commanded by captain Squire himſelf, and from a ſloop and two tenders, which played on them with all their guns, ſwivels, and muſkets. They ſtood coolly till the veſſels were near enough for them to do execution, when they began a briſk and well directed fire, which forced the little ſquadron to retire. In the night the tenders forced their way through the veſſels which were ſunk in the mouth of the river, and came cloſe up to the very town, on which they fired till they were again repulſed with the loſs of 9 men killed on board the ſchooner, and many wounded, 2 killed on board a tender which was boarded and taken, and from which lieutenant Write, of the Otter, made his eſcape wounded, by ſwimming to the ſchooner on the oppoſite ſhore. Colonel Woodford, who had juſt entered the town as the fire began, with a reinforcement of 50 fine riflemen under the command of captain Bluford, an experienced and brave rifleman, compleated the victory; and we have no doubt, could they have arrived an hour ſooner, ſo as to have poſted their men properly, that the ſchooner and tenders would have been taken.

It is very remarkable, and ought to be looked upon as an inſtance of the divine protection, that not one of our men was even wounded in the ſeveral attacks.

The colonel writes that all the men behaved with great reſolution, and were too eager. The troops in town are in high ſpirits, and wiſh for an attack in this quarter; they are all excellent markſmen, and fine, bold fellows. After all the firing at the houſes in Hampton, there were only a few windows broke, and a door pannel. Lord Dunmore may now ſee he has not cowards to deal with. Every praiſe is due to captain Nicholas and captain Lyne; they deſerve the warmeſt thanks of their country, and the praiſes of poſterity. The ſoldiers, it is ſaid, by the advice of the colonel, are to have the prize divided amongſt them for their bravery.

It is ſaid captain Lyne, who fired the firſt gun in the attack at the mouth of the river, killed a man by that very fire.

Several of lord Dunmore's men we are aſſured are taken priſoners.

To be SOLD *or* RENTED,

THE HOUSES and LOTS of the late *Elkanah Deane*, pleaſantly ſituated in *Palace* ſtreet, in this city. There is a well of good water in the lot belonging to the dwelling-houſe, and a fine garden and paſture at the back of the ſame, all well paled in; alſo ſeveral ſprings and a run of water throughout the land. The houſes are in good repair, and ſome of them but lately built. And on *Tueſday* the 7th of next month will be ſold, for ready money, the HOUSHOLD and KITCHEN FURNITURE, a large quantity of coachmakers, joiners, and blackſmiths TOOLS. There are on hand, and will be ſold, very cheap, for caſh, an elegant PHÆTON, ſingle and double CHAIRS of ſeveral ſorts, finiſhed in the beſt manner. All perſons indebted to the ſaid eſtate are requeſted to make immediate payment; and all thoſe whoſe accounts are not ſettled at the next meeting of the merchants, it is expected will give bond. Thoſe alſo who have demands againſt it are deſired immediately to bring in their accounts to the ſubſcriber, who is authorized to ſettle the ſame.

ELIZABETH DEANE.

FALLS *of* JAMES RIVER, *October* 25, 1775.

AT the earneſt ſolicitation of many gentlemen on *Potowmack*, and influenced by my own intereſt on that river, I have been endeavouring to open its navigation from tide-water upwards, and have been at conſiderable expence in preparation, &c. to forward that uſeful work; but the neceſſity of a *Maryland* act of aſſembly co-operating with one paſſed in *Virginia*, and which I have not yet been able to obtain, has obliged me to decline it for the preſent.

This diſappointment would be more affecting if it did not afford me an opportunity of employing my time and attention in opening and extending the navigation of *James* river, which, though a work leſs intereſting to me, is of equal utility to the public; but to make my intereſt in ſome meaſure correſpond with the public's, I have paid 560l. ſterling to Mr. *Patrick Coutts* for the lands ſituate on the river, where the water muſt be taken out into the canal, and where I have began and done ſome part of the canal, with other improvements very expenſive.

I therefore inform the public, that having a fee ſimple therein, I am going on with the canal at my own expence, and will further riſk my whole fortune and time on the ſucceſs of my undertaking, and deſire no aid or aſſiſtance until I make the navigation ſafe and eaſy to *Shockoe* warehouſes, expecting, nevertheleſs, the more large and generous contributions from all who benefit, when the work is done.

N. B. I want to hire a hundred SLAVES for the above purpoſe, and ſhould be glad to treat with any perſon or perſons inclinable; at the ſame time could aſſiſt with the beſt part of their winter cloathing, if not otherwiſe provided.

3 JOHN BALLENDINE.

OCTOBER 26, 1775.

ALL perſons indebted to the printer of this paper for the laſt year's Gazette, &c. which ended on the 22d. ult. are earneſtly requeſted to diſcharge their reſpective balances as early as poſſible. Thoſe alſo who are indebted to the eſtate of the late CLEMENTINA RIND, it is hoped, will be ſpeedy in diſcharging their accounts, as he is anxious to ſettle the affairs relative thereto.

TAKEN up, in *Goochland*, on *Little Byrd* creek, a black ſteer, about 4 or 5 years old, with a white ſtreak from his breaſt under his belly, and has a white ſpot on the inſide of each of his ham-joints; he is marked with a crop, two ſlits, and an underkeel, in the right ear, and a crop and three ſlits in the left. Poſted, and appraiſed to 3l.

BENJAMIN JOHNSTON.

To be SOLD *by the ſubſcribers, at their ſtore, by wholeſale, at a low advance,*

ABOUT four hundred pounds ſterling value of *European* goods, conſiſting chiefly of broadcloths and trimmings, low priced friezes, ſagathies, and duroys, mens fine and felt hats, ditto worſted ſtockings, mens and womens gloves and mitts of various kinds, womens ſattin and ſilk hats and bonnets, nuns thread, fine plain and flowered lawns, plain and ſpotted ſilk gauze, a good aſſortment of tin ware, ſeveral kinds of crockery ware, pewter diſhes, baſons and plates, broad and narrow axes, ſeveral pair of ſtock cards for preparing wool for finer cards, with many more ſaleable articles.

Likewiſe a new built STOREHOUSE and GRANARY, with cellars ſtuſh. The ſtorehouſe is 36 feet by 18, compleatly finiſhed off, is ſo conſtructed that it can, with very little expence, be converted into a dwellinghouſe, and is very pleaſantly ſituated on the main ſtreet. There is ſpare ground ſufficient on the lot to build two other houſes on. The granary is 52 feet by 20, compleatly conſtructed for the reception of dry and wet goods, and grain. Credit will be allowed until the 25th of *April* next for one half the purchaſe money, and until the 25th of *October* following for the other half, on giving bond, with approved ſecurity, to

JACOB FAULCON and company.

CORNAM, *September* 18, 1775.

TAKEN up, in *Albemarle*, a red and white ſteer, 6 or 7 years old, and marked with a crop in each ear and underkeel in the left. Poſted, and appraiſed to 2l. 15s. JOHN HARRISS.

To be SOLD, *at the next meeting of the merchants in* Williamſburg, *by virtue of a deed of truſt made to the ſubſcribers,*

THE eſtate of *John Randolph*, eſquire, his majeſty's attorney general, conſiſting of his late dwellinghouſe within the ſaid city, and of the land adjoining, ſeveral very valuable family ſervants, and a variety of furniture. A year's credit will be allowed the purchaſers, they giving bond, with good ſecurity, to

PEYTON RANDOLPH,
JOHN BLAIR,
JAMES COCKE.

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To be SOLD, *at the meeting of the merchants in* October,

ALL Mrs. *Ratbell's* STOCK in TRADE, conſiſting of many different articles. I requeſt all who are indebted to the ſaid Mrs. *Ratbell* to be ſo kind at this meeting as to pay off their accounts to *John Tazewell*, eſquire, of this city, or to the ſubſcriber, at Mrs. *Ratbell's* ſtore, who are authorized to receive ſuch debts.

M. BRODIE.

N. B. At the ſame time will be ſold a large BOW-WINDOW, with bars and ſhutters, ſome SHOW-GLASSES, and GLASS CASES. 3

To be SOLD *at public auction, purſuant to the laſt will and teſtament of Mr.* John Todd Bickerton, *deceaſed, at* Hanover *courthouſe, on the firſt* Thurſday *in* December *next, being court day,*

A TRACT of LAND, lying on the *Byrd* creek, in *Albemarle* county, containing 700 acres, with a plantation cleared ſufficient to work 7 or 8 hands, and convenient buildings for a family. Alſo another tract, lying on *Hickory* creek, in *Louiſa* county, containing 1425 acres, without any improvements thereon. Theſe lands are ſubject to the dower of Mrs. *Martha Bickerton*. Twelve months credit will be allowed, the purchaſer giving bond, with approved ſecurity, to THE EXECUTORS.

COMMITTED to the goal of *Middleſex* a negro man, who ſay his name is *William Bulls*, ſuppoſed to belong to *John Walker*, of *Albemarle*. The ſaid negro is about 5 feet 3 inches high, has a ſcar acroſs his noſe, another above his left eye, and another juſt below his right ear, and appears to be a ſhoemaker. Since his commitment he ſays he belongs to *Jemmy Jones*, of *Albemarle*. The owner is deſired to take him away, and pay charges.

JOHN CRAINE, gaoler.

COMMITTED to the goal of *Buckingham* a negro woman, about 4 feet 8 inches high, affects that ſhe cannot ſpeak her maſter's name, though ſays her name is *Chloe*. She is dreſſed with a blue and white *Swanſkin* petticoat, osnabrig ſhirt, and ſtriped homeſpun jacket. She was born in *Africa*, and appears to be about 40 years of age. The owner is deſired to pay priſon charges, and take her out. 5 JOHN COX, gaoler.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber, in *Charles City*, the 20th of *July*, a negro fellow, named BOB, about 22 years of age, with a remarkable ſcar on his upper lip; he has an innocent look, is ſlow of ſpeech, and very artful. A few months ago he attempted to paſs to *South Carolina* by getting a forged paſs. I will give TWENTY SHILLINGS reward to any perſon that will ſecure him in any goal, ſo that I get him, beſides what the law allows. He is ſuppoſed to be with a negro woman belonging to the eſtate of *James Bacburſt*, deceaſed, named *Hannah*, who is now run away alſo.

ARCHELAUS MITCHELL.

LEED'S, *October* 5, 1775.

JUST arrived the *Saltſprig*, captain *John Ogelvy*, with about 120 healthy SERVANTS, men, women, and boys; among them are many tradeſmen, ſuch as carpenters and joiners, black and white ſmiths, braziers and copper ſmiths, ſhoemakers, weavers, barbers, ſchoolmaſters, a tailor, a cabinetmaker, a wheelwright, an houſe painter, a calico painter, a dancing maſter, and ſeveral others; there are alſo farmers, and other country labourers. The ſale will commence on *Wedneſday* the 18th of *October*, at *Leed's* town, *Rappahannock* river, and be continued there four days. A reaſonable credit will be allowed, the purchaſers giving bond, with approved ſecurity, to THOMAS HODGE.

COMMITTED to the gaol of *Surry* a negro man, who confeſſes he is a runaway, and that his name is *Charles*; he is about 21 years of age, has on an oznabrig jacket, crocas breeches, and a country cloth jacket. He ſays he belongs to Mr. *Tankard*, of *Norfolk*, but has likewiſe ſaid he is the property of *Elyſon Armiſtead*, of *Hanover*. The owner is deſired to apply for him, and pay charges.

THOMAS WALL, gaoler.

SIX POUNDS REWARD.

STRAYED or ſtolen, from *Richmond* town, the 18th of *July* laſt, a ſorrel gelding 4 feet 10 or 11 inches high, with a hanging mane, and ſwitch toil, has a large ſtar on the forehead, a ſmall lump on the back, and a remarkable cut in his near for hoof, that will never grow out, paces ſlow, trots and canters; the brand, if any, forgot. Forty ſhillings will be paid on the delivery of the horſe at *Richmond*, and four pounds if ſtolen, on conviction of the thief.

JOHN SKELTON.

POETS CORNER.

ON THE DEATH OF A LADY'S DOG.

THOU, happy creature, art secure
From all the troubles we endure;
Despair, ambition, jealousy,
Loft friends, nor love, disquiet thee.
A fallen prudence drew thee hence,
From noise, fraud, and impertinence.
Though life stay'd the surest wile,
Gilding itself with LAURA's smile,
How didst thou scorn life's meaner charms,
Thou who could'st break thro' LAURA's arms!
Poor cynic! still methinks I hear
Thy awful murmurs in my ear,
As when on LAURA's lap you lay,
Chiding the worthless croud away.
How fondly human passions turn!
What then we envy'd now we mourn.

ON HOPE.

SOFT smiling HOPE, thou anchor of the mind,
The only resting place the wretched find,
How dost thou all our anxious cares beguile,
And make the orphan and the friendless smile!
All fly to thee, thou gentle dawn of peace,
The coward's fortitude, the brave's success,
The lover's ease, the captive's liberty,
The only flatt'rer of the poor and me;
With thee, on pleasure's wings, thro' life we're borne,
Without thee, wretched, friendless, and forlorn;
Possess'd of thee, the weary pilgrim strays,
Thro' barren desarts and untrodden ways;
Thirsty and faint, his nerves new vigour strings,
And, full of thee, he quaffs immortal springs;
The martyr'd saint, whom anguish and the rod
Have prov'd, thro' thee, walks worthy of his God;
In vain are axes, flames, and torturing wheels,
He feels no torment who no terror feels;
Thro' thee his well try'd spirit upward springs,
And spurns at titles, sceptres, thrones, and kings.
O! full of thee, in quiet may I live
The few remaining moments Heav'n shall give!
Come then, thou honest flatt'rer, to my breast,
Friend of my health, and author of my rest,
Thro' thee, the future, cloudless all, appears
A short but smiling train of happy years;
Pass'd but this instant, storms and tempests cease,
And all beyond, the promis'd land of peace.

THE store at *Leed's*, kept by the subscriber for account of Mr. *Richard Holland*, being to be discontinued, the goods on hand, consisting of many saleable articles, to the amount of at least three hundred pounds sterling, will be sold on the 10th day of *November* next, if fair, if not, the next fair day, to the highest bidder; also some valuable horses. Twelve months credit will be allowed the purchasers on giving bond and security. All persons that have had dealings at the said store are desired to come and settle their accounts as soon as possible. THOMAS JETT.

CAME to my house some time in *August* an *Irishman*, about 20 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, of a swarthy complexion, has on an old brown surtout coat, an old hat, without any brim, and brown linen shirt and trowsers; the little toe of his right foot is off. He is quite deaf, and says he is a servant to one *John Wayman*, in *Maryland*, and calls his name *James Watson*.
JAMES GORDON.

STRAYED from the subscriber at *Davis's*, at the fork of *Cocke's* and *Namozeen* roads, in *Dinwiddie* county, about 10 miles from *Petersburg*, the 15th of *February* last, a sorrel mare, 15 years old, has had both the fistula and pole-evil, and was much scarrified in the cure by burning, and is about 4 feet 6 inches high. Also a dark grey filly, one year old, has a star in her forehead, and a remarkable scar on one of her sides, occasioned by being staked when young; she is neither docked nor branded, is of the *Crawford* breed, and shews it pretty much. I will give THREE POUNDS reward to any person who will contrive them to *Charlotte* courthouse.
ROBERT PRYOR.

TAKEN up, in *Amelia* county, a bay colt, 2 years old last spring, has a small star in his forehead, and is about 4 feet 5 inches high. Posted, and appraised to 7l.
CHARNEL HIGHTOWER.

For SALE, *in* JAMES CITY *county.*

A VALUABLE tract of LAND, lying on each side the road leading from *Doncastle's* ordinary to *Williamsburg*. There are on the said tract a good dwellinghouse, barns, and all other necessary buildings. All the cleared land is enclosed. Any person inclinable to purchase may know the terms by applying to
EDWARD POWER.

HUNTINGTOUR, *September* 14, 1775.

THE lands I have for some time advertised for sale are not as yet sold. I will sell them at a very low price, and give a reasonable time of payment for part of the money. The reason why I have not sold them was, that I would give no credit.
ANTHONY WINSTON.

ESSEX county, *September* 10, 1775.

RUN away from the subscriber, about the middle of *July* last, a *Virginia* born negro lad, named NED, who is about 18 years of age, and about 5 feet high; one of his hands has a large scar, occasioned by its being burnt when he was a child, by which means some of his fingers grow together. He has a flat face and long head, which is remarkably sharp on the top. His clothes were such as is common for working negroes, and he was seen going down the country. Whoever will secure the said negro, so that I get him again, shall have a reward of FORTY SHILLINGS, besides what the law allows. tf JAMES EDMONDSON.

RUN away from the subscriber, in *Chesterfield* county, a servant man, named WILLIAM ROLLINGS. He is of the middle stature, much marked with the smallpox, and is of a red complexion; had on when he went away a blanket great coat. Any person that will deliver him to me, or secure him in any of the gaols of this colony, so that I may get him, shall receive FORTY SHILLINGS reward. FRANCIS SMITH.

*** He came down as a waggoner with the *Chesterfield* volunteers, and was placed near the palace, and I suspect he is on board the man of war.

To be SOLD, *to the highest bidder, on the first* Tuesday in November *next, altogether, or in parcels, as may best suit the purchaser,*

A TRACT of LAND, lying in the lower end of *Pittsylvania*, on *Banister* and *Stinking* rivers, containing 832 acres, chiefly consisting of fine low grounds and rich level high land. There is on it a new plantation, capable of working six hands to advantage, and a peach and apple orchard. Mr. *Joseph Roberts*, who resides near the premises, will shew the land to any person desirous of purchasing. Extensive credit will be allowed, giving bond and approved security
8 NATHANIEL POPE.

THE plantation, house, and all convenient outhouses, an exceeding fine peach orchard, where I now live, lately occupied by *William Goodall*, deceased, to be sold. My reason for selling the same is, that it is inconvenient to my business. Any person inclinable to become a purchaser may know the terms by applying to *William Johnson*, who resides in *James City* county.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY,

FOR the army, camp kettles, either tin or brass, to hold about three gallons, a large quantity of ducking, or *Russia* drab, for tents, osnabrigs, for hunting shirts, checks, coarse white linen, or country made linen, for under shirts; also blankets and coarse stockings. Any person who has any of the above articles for sale will be pleased to inform me by letter per post, directed to be lodged at the post office, *Aylett's*.....Canteens are also much wanted; and it is requested of the respective committees to make immediate enquiry after those taken from the magazine, and contrive them to the head quarters, not omitting those that are damaged, which may be repaired.....I will also give ready money for any quantity of saltpetre, sulphur, or lead. WILLIAM AYLETT, contractor.

*** Spades, shovels, and mattocks, are also wanted; those who have them will apply as above.

STRAYED or stole out of the governor's park, about a fortnight ago, a black horse, with three white feet, has a hanging mane and switch tail, a lump on his back just behind the sadale, a small white ring round his neck, occasioned by a rope, has a star in his forehead, and paces easy. Whoever brings him to Mr. *Walter Lenox*, in *Williamsburg*, if taken ten miles from the said city, shall have TEN SHILLINGS, and if a farther distance TWENTY SHILLINGS. tf JOHN HAWKINS.

WANTED to the section of a mule-team in the lower end of the *Northern Neck*, an ADJUTANT who is well acquainted with the duty of that office, agreeable to the order or directions of his majesty in the year 1764. As this is the only officer in the minute service whose pay will be constant for nine months in the year, it is hoped such as are qualified will readily engage. Also wanted, a DRUMMER and FIFER, who can teach others the duty, to act as drum and fife-majors.....The CHAPLAIN's place to said battalion is not yet engaged.

THE honourable COMMITTEE of SAFETY having appointed me commissary of provision to the two *Virginia* regiments, and instructed me to make my purchases as diffusive as possible, I hereby give notice that I will attend at *Fredericksburg* on *Saturday* the 14th instant *(October)* at *Louisa* courthouse on *Tuesday* the 17th, at *Cumberland* courthouse on *Thursday* the 19th, at *Pride's* ordinary, in *Amelia* county, near colonel *Tabb's*, on *Saturday* the 21st, and at *Petersburg* on *Tuesday* the 24th of the same month, in order to contract or receive proposals for BEEF, PORK, and FLOUR, for victualling the said regiments; also a quantity of STALLED BEEF, to be delivered at different periods, from *January* till *June* next, and a large quantity of beef and pork, over and above the quantity necessary for said regiments, to be laid in store for future contingencies. I expect every person who has provisions to dispose of will come with their lowest terms, as they will probably not meet with another opportunity, and that such as I am not well acquainted with will provide good security for the performance of their contracts.

*** I want to purchase two good WAGGONS and TEAMS.
JOHN HAWKINS.

WESTOVER, *September* 19, 1775.

IN *July* last the high sheriff of *Charles City* advertised two negroes, MICHAEL and AARON, late my property, who broke gaol and escaped whilst under sentence of death. As I know they are daring and dangerous villains, capable of attempting the most horrid crimes, I hereby promise a reward of THREE POUNDS for each, to be paid on their being returned to the gaol of *Charles City*. *Michael* is a ditcher by trade, a handsome black fellow, about 30 years old, under the middle size; he is very artful, and speaks fluently. *Aaron* is a blacksmith by trade, of a yellow complexion, near 20 years old, 6 feet high, and well made; he has a down look, and remarkable long fore teeth. I am informed their haunts are in *Prince George*, *Charles City*, *New Kent*, and *Hanover*.
WILLIAM BYRD.

CULPEPER county *(Virginia) September* 6, 1775.

I INTEND to leave this colony, in six or eight weeks, for *London*, not to return till *April* next. Mr. *Gabriel Jones*, of *Culpeper* county, will attend at *Spotsylvania* courts, in the absence and behalf of 3 BENJAMIN JOHNSTON.

HANOVER town, *August* 10, 1775.

I INTEND to leave the colony for a few months, and have appointed Mr. *Richard Anderson*, junior, my attorney during my absence. All persons with whom I am concerned, either as debtor or creditor, will very much oblige me by settling their accounts with me as soon as possible. 2 THOMAS SIMPSON.

SEPTEMBER 6, 1775.

MR. *Henry Skelton*, of *Albemarle* county, has a bond of mine, with Mr. *David Anderson*, junior, security, for sixty pounds, payable the 16th day of *February*, 1779, bearing interest from the 16th day of *February* last. This is to forewarn all persons against taking an assignment of the said bond, as I do not apprehend that I am indebted to the said *Skelton* a single shilling, but that he is a trifle in my debt. 1 M. ANDERSON, junior.

RUN away from the subscriber, in *Albemarle*, the 20th of *June* last, a negro fellow, named DANIEL, of a yellow complexion, about 20 years of age, with a down, fly look, and stoops in the shoulders; his back is much scarred with old whippings. It is expected he will change his name, and pass for a free man. He had on, when he went away, a *Virginia* linen tow shirt, *Virginia* cloth short breeches, and an old bearskin jacket. When he looks at a person his face appears somewhat awry. I will give TEN DOLLARS to any person that shall secure the said runaway, and give me intelligence thereof, and if brought to me all reasonable charges paid, by 3 CLEMENT PARKER.

TAKEN up, in *Charlotte*, a redvan! white pied cow, and her calf: The cow is marked with a crop, slit, and underkeel, in the right ear, and crop and slit in the left; her horns are sawed off. Posted, and appraised to 2l. 15s. JOHN MITCHELL.

TAKEN up, in *Charlotte*, near the head of *Meherrin*, a roan horse, 4 feet 7 inches high, branded on the near shoulder and buttock with O, has a small blaze in his face, and appears to be very old. Posted, and appraised to 2l. JOHN MITCHELL.

TAKEN up, in *Charles City*, a dark bay mare, about 4 feet 4 inches high, with a star in her forehead, paces naturally, has a hanging mane and switch tail, and two saddle spots. Posted, and appraised to 5l. AMBROSE JACKSON.

HANOVER county, *August* 20, 1775.

THE subscribers having erected a FULLING MILL, and being disappointed in the workmen they expected, take this method of enquiring for such as understand the management of a fulling mill, and dying and dressing cloth; also good weavers. Such workmen will meet with good encouragement by applying soon to the subscribers, near *Newcastle*.
2* ELISHA AND ROBERT WHITE.

SURRY, *September* 15, 1775.

ON *Monday* the 20th of *November*, the subscriber, or some person for him, will attend at *Dinwiddie* court, and *Tuesday* and *Wednesday* following at *Sammon's* tavern, to receive payment for the bonds due to captain *Thomas Holt's* estate, for sundries sold at *Namozeen* plantation. In the absence of the subscriber from home, between the 20th of *November* and the 1st of *December*, the bonds due for the sale in *Surry* will be lodged in the hands of Mr. *William Harris*, to receive payment. I desire the favour of all those who have any demands against the said *Holt* to produce them between the 1st of *December* and the 1st of *January*, properly authenticated, to receive payment, either in cash or bonds.
HENRY COCKE, administrator.

IF the gentleman who advertises in this paper for a person capable of teaching the GREEK and LATIN languages will please to acquaint captain *Carr*, in *Dumfries*, with his terms, he will be waited upon, if the terms please, by a young man just arrived from *Britain*, who has had a regular education at the university, and who likewise has had a good deal of practice in teaching the above branches.

RUN away from the subscriber, on the 28th of *August*, a low, well set negro man, of a yellowish complexion, named *Sampson*, about 20 years of age. He had on when he went away an osnabrig shirt, crocus trowsers, and a good felt hat; but he being a cunning, subtle fellow, it is imagined he may have other clothes. He got away once before, and was found skulking about the shipping at *Leadstown*. It is probable he may again make to some port, and endeavour to get out of the country, unless he is stopped. Whoever apprehends the said slave, and brings him to me, living near *Fauquier* courthouse, shall have THREE POUNDS reward, if taken up out of the said county. 3 SAMUEL PORTER.

SURRY, *September* 15, 1775.

LANDED at *Lewspoint*, between 3 or 4 years ago, a cask of COPPERAS, from what vessel, or for whom, is not known. Any person, proving his property, will be paid for it by applying to the subscriber, near *Cabin Point*. HENRY COCKE.

At a meeting of the COMMISSIONERS, *appointed by the convention, for superintending the manufactory of small arms, at* Fredericksburg, *on* Monday *the* 13*th of* September, 1775.

THE commissioners intend to meet on the 10th day of *October* next, at *Fredericksburg*, for the purpose of engaging a further number of gunsmiths, and other artists, capable of managing that business in its various branches. All persons who are willing to enter into the service for a year at the least, and can come well recommended for skill and sobriety, are desired to attend; if agreed with, they will have good encouragement, according to their merit, and, at all events, be paid for their attendence and travelling. Good locksmiths are much wanting.
2 THE COMMISSIONERS.

FOUR POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away from the subscriber on the 10th instant *(September)* two servant men, viz. THOMAS HART, 23 years of age, a native of *Ireland*, and a tailor by trade, about 5 feet 8 inches high, with dark brown coloured hair, and both of his little fingers are crooked; he had on when he went away an osnabrig shirt and trowsers, a claret coloured coat and vest. JOSIAH BAILEY, 25 years of age, an *Englishman*, a leather breeches maker by trade, about 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, with light brown hair, and has a scar on his breast, occasioned by a scald. As he walks he hangs his head, and takes short steps. He had on when he went away an osnabrig shirt and trowsers, a claret coloured coat and jacket of *Welch* plains, and a pair of leather breeches. Whoever secures the above servants, so that I get them again, shall receive THREE POUNDS reward, and if delivered to me, in *Fredericksburg*, shall receive FOUR POUNDS, or TWO POUNDS for each.
1* WILLIAM PLYTH.

RAN away from the subscriber, living in *Prince George* county, *Maryland*, near *Souden's* iron works, two convict servants, both *Irishmen*. FRANCIS MATTHEWS, a thin made fellow, about 19 or 20 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches high, and stoops much in his walk; he has a scar over his right eye, and is much pitted with the smallpox. He had on when he went away a crocus shirt, a pair of fustick trowsers, a short old *Swanskin* jacket, and his fingers on the left hand are near of a length. MICHAEL CONROY, a well made fellow, about 25 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, with a fair complexion, is much freckled, and pitted with the smallpox. He had on when he went away an osnabrig shirt, a country cloth jacket, lined with osnabrigs, a pair of crocus trowsers, and a pair of old shoes, and pretends to be a shoemaker. They are both great villains, for they will steal any thing that is in their way. Whoever takes up the said servants, and brings them to me, shall receive FIVE POUNDS for each.
PHILIP HALL,
ISAAC SHORT.

N. B. They took with them a broadax.

To be SOLD, *on* Tuesday *the* 31*st of* October, *if fair, if not, the next fair day, on the premises,*

A TRACT of LAND, in *King & Queen* county, near *Todd's Bridge*, containing about 1400 acres (altogether or in parcels) belonging to the estate of colonel *Humphrey Hill*, deceased. Also all the stocks of horses, cattle, sheep, and hogs, with the plantation utensils, &c. Credit will be allowed till the 25th of *April*, 1776, giving bond and security to the executors; to carry interest from the date, if not paid when due. Any person may view the land by applying to *Edmund Taylor*, the overseer.
JOHN HILL,
EDWARD HITE, Executors.
WILLIAM HILL,

CABIN POINT, SURRY county.

THIS is to inform the public that the subscriber's FULLING MILL is in order to full cloth, which shall be done in the best manner. Those gentlemen who may favour me with their work may depend upon my best endeavours to satisfy them. I also have WEAVERS that weave thread and cotton, any pattern, in the neatest manner; and I am in want of three or four more weavers, that could come well recommended, who will meet with proper encouragement. Those persons who apply to me for CLOTH or WEAVING must be punctual in payment, as I shall keep the cloth till paid. I am the public's obedient, humble servant,
WILLIAM SIMMONS.

RUN away from the subscriber, in the upper end of *Spotsylvania*, the 20th of *May* last, JOSEPH INGRAM, an *English* convict servant man, 27 years of age, about 5 feet 7 inches high, rather smaller built than the common size of men, with dark hair, his complexion rather pale, has a fly cast with his eyes, a round face, a peaked nose, wears whiskers, and a kind of a dimple, or something like it, on his chin; he has a scar on one of his arms below his elbow, talks something quick, and much of it when a *little* groggy, and can sing well. He understands farming, and can use a scythe well. He carried away with him a *Devonshire* kersey brown coloured coat, with metal buttons, and pieced in the sides, two osnabrig shirts, roll trowsers, an old felt hat, and a pair of shoes with strings. He went off with one *Reuben Cave*, an apprentice, who is returned, and says that the said *Ingram* altered his name to *Joseph Waggels*, but perhaps he may alter that name, as he is very artful. Whoever will bring the said servant to me shall have FIVE POUNDS reward, and all reasonable charges paid.
2* HENRY COLEMAN.

A MAN, with a small family, would gladly be employed in any gentleman's service, either in *Virginia* or *Carolina*, as a head overseer or steward, and will come well recommended. He understands surveying, and may be employed in that business. Apply to the printer, or the honourable *John Taylor*, esquire, in *Richmond*. He will write to any gentleman as soon as a letter comes to hand.

WILLIAMSBURG, *August* 17, 1775.

THE subscriber begs leave to inform the public that she intends to open a DANCING SCHOOL, on *Friday* the 25th instant, for young ladies; she therefore hopes the gentlemen and ladies will be kind enough to favour her with their daughters. She flatters herself she shall be able to give entire satisfaction, as no care or pains on her part will be wanting. Her days for teaching (every week) are *Friday* and *Saturday*. The price, TWENTY SHILLINGS entrance, and FOUR POUNDS a year. The school will be kept at Mr. *Hunter Pasteur's*. SARAH HALLAM.

MANCHESTER, *July* 2d, 1775.

A STOCKING WEAVER WILL MEET WITH ENCOURAGEMENT BY APPLYING TO
ALEXANDER AND PETERFIELD TRENT.

TO BE SOLD, IN AMHERST COUNTY,

ABOUT 4000 acres of exceeding good tobacco LAND, being part of a larger tract formerly advertised, together with a very valuable GRIST MILL, upon *Buffalo* river. This land is equal to any that has yet been sold of the tract. The time of payment will be made agreeable to purchasers. Mr. *Gabriel Penn*, who lives near the land, is authorized to bargain for it, and will shew it to any persons inclinable to purchase.
tf CARTER BRAXTON.